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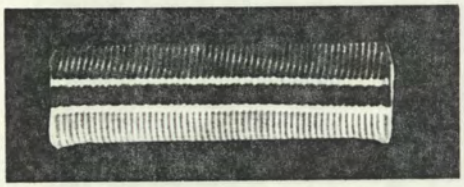

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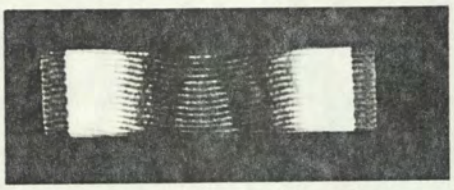

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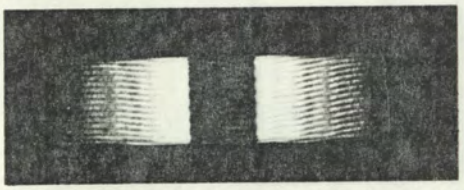

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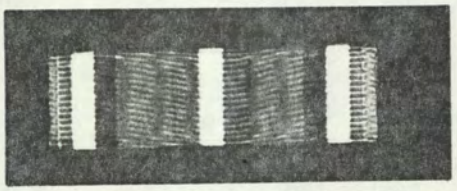

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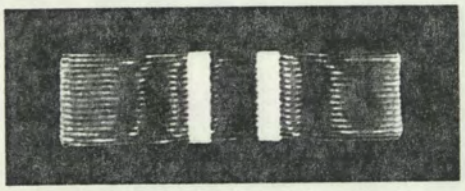

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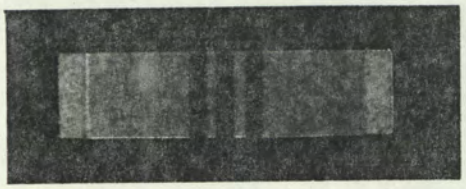

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VIETNAM SERVICE BAR

Plate 90 (p. 106)

The Vietnam Service Bar is awarded to personnel for service on U.S. ships serving in waters in and adjacent to Vietnam. It was designed by R. A. Chandler, Maritime Administration, and authorized by Public Law 759, 84th Congress.

VICTORY MEDAL

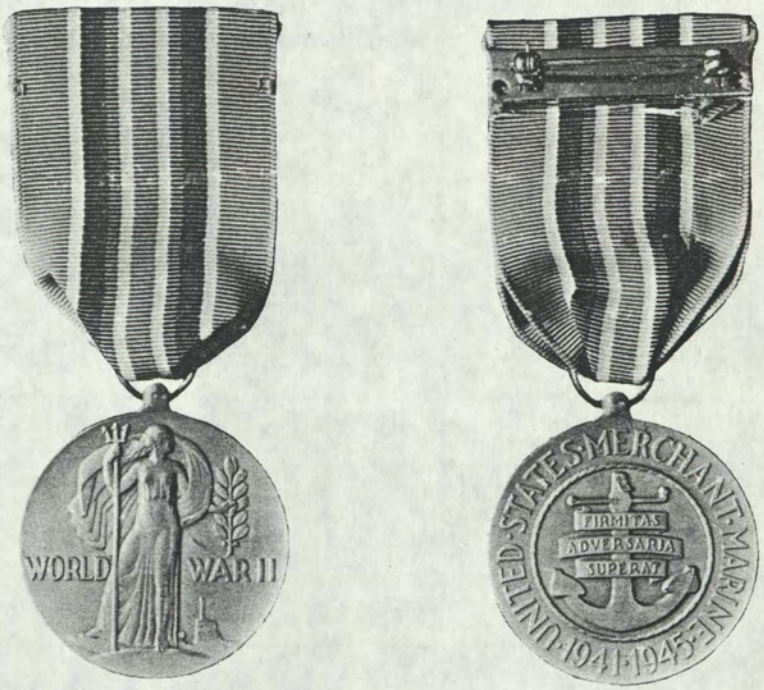
Plate 91 (p. 106)

The Merchant Marine Victory Medal was awarded to personnel who served in the Merchant Marine for 30 days between 7 December 1941 and 3 September 1945. It was designed by John R. Sinnock, U.S. Mint, and authorized by Act of Congress, 8 August 1946.

KOREAN WAR SERVICE BAR

The Korean War Service Bar was awarded to personnel who served on U.S. ships in the Korean War Zone between 30 June 1950 and 30 September 1953. It was designed by the Headquarters Staff, Maritime Administration, and authorized by Public Law 759, 84th Congress.

WORLD WAR II VICTORY MEDAL



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MERCHANT MARINE
VICTORY MEDAL

AUTHORIZED – Established by Public Law 698 of the 79th Congress. Date of foundation was 8 August 1946.

AWARDED TO – Each person who served honorably in a war zone as an officer or member of the crew of vessels owned by or operated by or for the account of the Maritime Commission or the War Shipping Administration for thirty days during the period beginning December 7, 1941 and ending with September 3, 1945, and each person who is entitled to receive a certificate of substantially continuous service pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 87, 78th Congress, approved June 23, 1943 (57 Stat. 162). The medal may be awarded posthumously and, when so awarded, shall be presented to such representative of the deceased as the Commission deems proper. Not more than one medal shall be awarded to any one person.

DESIGNER – Mr. John R. Sinnock.

OBVERSE – A round bronze medallion with knob and ring suspension. Bearing the female figure of Victory, looking to her left, standing proudly erect with her left foot on the bow of a vanquished enemy submarine, her right foot on the globe, wearing a gown with cape billowing and hair flowing in the winds. She holds a trident in her right hand and a laurel branch in her left. An inscription in capital letters, separated by the figure, reads, "WORLD WAR II."

REVERSE – Bearing an anchor, fouled by a superimposed scroll with motto inscribed thereon in capital letters. Motto – "FIRMITAS–ADVERSARIO–SUPERAT" – steadfastly overcoming the enemy! A rope border encircles the anchor and scroll and, the words and dates formed by raised capital letters and numbers, "UNITED STATES MERCHANT MARINE–1941-1945", encircling the whole.

RIBBON – Silk moire, 3/8 inch long and 1 & 3/8 inches wide, composed of stripes of 19/64 inch red, 1/16 inch white, 1/8 inch dark blue, 1/16 inch light green, 5/64 inch yellow, 1/8 inch red, 5/64 inch yellow, 1/16 inch light green, 1/8 inch dark blue, 1/16 inch white and 19/64 inch red.

LAPEL BUTTON – None authorized.

NUMBER AWARDED – 31,269 Victory Medals were awarded for service during World War II.

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